To Whom It May Concern,

As Jefferson pointed out, Democracy requires informed citizens. The direct result of the wave of media consolidation that has been taking place however, is that citizens are less informed and by fewer independent sources.

The recent actions of the too-powerful Sinclair group provide egregious examples of this.

Whether Democrat or Republican, at a minimum we can all agree that the protection of the true sources of our Democracy, including a tuly free and independent, truly local, media, as opposed to one manipulated by partisan corporate forces, is a solemn duty.

I challenge you to defend your country.

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